

Thornton Rust

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Under New Management!

When we moved to Thornton Rust a year ago, we were delighted to learn of the Bulletin and to receive such a warm welcome to the village. As the new editors, we want to build on what Colin has nurtured for many years.

Please send us anything that you'd like included in future editions.

Rob and Rachel Newall

Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Colin for producing the Thornton Rust Bulletin. I do not have the technology at home to receive the Bulletin by email or the village WhatsApp. Due to my severe visual impairment I cannot read information on signs or noticeboards. So to have received the Bulletin in paper format over the last 24 years that I have lived here has been invaluable. It has not only kept me informed on what is happening in the village but has given me the opportunity to put in various articles too.

Thank you Colin for the wonderful service you have provided and thank you Rob and Rachel for continuing it.

Jackie Cook

We would like to say how much we have appreciated Colin's stewardship of the TR Bulletin. Although we have only been in the village a short time it has been a very helpful, succinct and informative snapshot of village activity for which we thank him sincerely. We would also like to thank both Colin and Jean for their very great kindness and support.

Ali and Nick Carter

Quiz Night is back

One of the most popular events at the Institute! The annual quiz night is on Saturday 28th September (please note the change of date since August's Bulletin). £5 entry, finger food provided, please bring your own drinks. Make up a team on the night.

Please help us cater for the right numbers by confirming your attendance. Ring me on 01969 663504. Sue Duffield

Deborah's Nature Watch

Several people came across me recently when I was recording plants around Thornton Rust and I thought they might like to know a little more about it.

The Botanical Society that I send records to now use "monads" (1 x 1 km squares) as the basis for data collection. Fortunately Thornton Rust falls very neatly into the Ordnance Survey monad SD97,88.

I recorded 226 species of plants growing in the wild or as garden weeds. The rarest is a little brown sedge found in the Kennel Field known as *Blysmus compresses*, but the field itself and that of the adjacent quarry are much more spectacular.

Being August I will have missed loads of spring plants which have disappeared without trace, so another search next May will be needed.

Deborah Millward

The return of Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball re-starts on Monday 2nd September at 7.30 pm. Come along and join us if you want a bit of fun and some exercise.

Susan Freer & Rob Newall

Harvest Festival

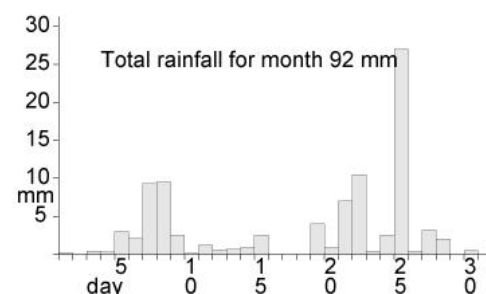
This service will take place in the Mission Room on Sunday 22nd September at 4 pm.

On Saturday 21st September (9 am – 5 pm) and Sunday 22nd September (9 am – 2 pm) the Mission Room will be opened for anyone wishing to decorate the room, donate produce for sale, and donate tinned/dried products for the local food bank.

Money raised from the sale of produce will be divided between the Mission Room and a charity of the congregation's choice. All welcome.

Jackie Cook

Rainfall for August



August last year: 110 mm;

August 2022: 44 mm;

August 2021: 48 mm.

It has been the wettest 12 months since Colin's records began in 2011!

Refuse collection dates

Green bin etc. Mon. 2 September

Grey bin Mon. 9 September

Green bin etc. Mon. 16 September

Grey bin Mon. 23 September

Green bin etc. Mon. 30 September

Two pages this time

See also *Thornton Rust News* at <https://aysgarthanddistrict.co.uk/thornton-rust-news>

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Dates for your diary

The Institute will be hosting the following events:

Games Night: Friday 4th October (free to attend, for lovers of board games and darts)

Centenary Dinner: Saturday 26th October (free to attend, booking and pre-ordering will be essential. More details to follow)

Remembrance Coffee Morning: Saturday 9th November

Skittles Night: Saturday 16th November

Rachel Newall

West End Bank

Contractors employed by Aysgarth Parish Council will be visiting Thornton Rust twice during September to trim the West End Bank. This is the area to the south side of the road opposite Nipe Lane where a wide variety of wild flowers grow during the summer months. At the moment the contractors cannot give me an exact date when the work will be carried out as it is weather dependent, but they expect it to be done during the weeks commencing Monday 2nd and Monday 16th September.

After the contractors have completed their work the trimmings need to be raked off and removed from the bank. This will allow the bank to develop further and give an even better display of wildflowers next year.

I am very grateful to the people who helped with the raking last year and will be contacting them again in the next few days to see if they are able to help again this year. If there is anyone else who would like to help with the raking or removal, please contact me on 663626.

I should know soon the exact dates that the work will be done.

Alan Cook

Stop Ure Pollution (SUP)



Following Pip Pointon's excellent editorial in the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter, Stop Ure Pollution is a new Wensleydale community group whose aim is to promote a clean, safe River Ure for all users and hopefully to obtain designated bathing water status once DEFRA re-opens applications next year.

With the help of Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust, we carried out our initial low water testing on the 21st August at 45 sites along the length of the river from Lunds down to Aldborough. We hope to be retesting at high water within the next month.

We will then carry out more frequent testing at 2 sites on multiple occasions with the support of Surfers Against Sewage. We will continue to engage with Yorkshire Water, the farming community, local politicians and media to facilitate the health and biodiversity of the river.

We have a Facebook page ([Stop Ure Pollution](#)) and Instagram page ([stop.ure.pollution](#)). Currently there are also updates on the Pipspatch.com website pending development of our own website.

If you are interested in supporting or joining our group we will be having an open meeting in Leyburn Methodist Hall on Tues 1st October, or contact pipspatch@gmail.com

Richard Loukota

Kennel Field Trust

The quarterly draw for the Kennel Field Trust 100 Club was held on 31st August at the Macmillan coffee morning. The prizes were drawn as follows:-

1st prize £25.00 Peter Connick
2nd prize £15.00 Olwyn Chorley
3rd prize £10.00 Jane Ritchie

The 100 Club helps fund the insurance and any maintenance costs that arise. Membership of the Club remains at £12.00 per ticket, per annum.

If you have a standing order set up then we will assume that you wish to continue your membership unless we hear otherwise. If you paid for a 12 month membership by cheque and wish to renew for a further 12 months please send your payment made out to the Thornton Rust Kennel Field Trust to Lynda Denny, at Nettle Cottage.

If you have any friends or family who would like to participate please let me know and the appropriate forms will be dispatched.

Lynda Denny

Welcome to the village!

We extend a very warm welcome to the new residents of Yoredale: Abi, Mark and their two sons Jacob and Isaac (and of course to Daisy their dog!) We hope you will be very happy here.

Macmillan coffee morning

The coffee morning on 31st August was a great success, raising a fantastic £431 for the charity. A huge thank you to everyone who donated cakes, marmalade, books and raffle items, and to everyone who came along.

Sue Duffield